



English Language Arts Newsletter

Topic: Project-Based Learning

Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself. ~John Dewey

Events/Professional Learning

Local:

[VCR: Spring Conference](#)

[VRI: Inquiry for Deep Learning](#)

Project Based Learning Webinars and Online Learning:

[New Tech Network PBL Tutorial](#)

[Project Based Learning in a K-2 Context](#)

[Project Based Learning and the Common Core Standards](#)

Connecting Research and Practice

Web Based Project Based Learning Resources:

[-What is Project Based Learning](#)

[-5 Keys to Project Based Learning](#) (Edutopia)

Relevant Articles and Reports:

[-Seven Essentials for Project Based Learning](#)

[-What Research Says About Project Based Learning](#)

[-Project Based Learning by Northwest REL](#)

-Suggested Reading: Nell Duke's *Inside Information: Developing Powerful Readers and Writers of Informational Text through Project-Based Instruction*. Read a sample chapter [here](#).

ELA Professional Learning Team Projects and Products

The Power of Project-Based Learning:

Project-Based Learning is one route to tackling the task of effectively integrating multiple standards in an authentic way. It allows students to apply the inquiry process to complex questions and tasks, respond appropriately to task, purpose, and audience, and integrate multiple transferable skills--and capacities of literate individual—simultaneously. It is a good fit for our system, which includes proficiency based instruction and personalized learning. We would love to share your stories. If you are currently incorporating project-based learning in English Language Arts, or through integrated studies, please feel free to share your ideas, videos, or unit lessons with us so that we can share them with our community of educators statewide.

Resources for Connecting Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment

Additional resources can be found on our ELA [Resources](#) page.